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1.	course for senior cal officers of tank	units on the following 25X1
	topic: conversion of tank units from winter	united on the retrained
	training.	
2.	In early April, the 2d Mecz Regt conducted op with regimental units and a mechanized battal	erational staff exercises 25X1
	Pasewalk. The scheduled divisional exercise w	as cancelled because of
	discharges.	
3.	The discharge program in the Karpin area star dischargees which was held by Division Comman	ted with a spann to the der Major General Siegfried Weiss
	on 11 April. The discharge involved al	1 NCOs and enlicated 25X1
	personnel which completed their 3 years of se Only a few soldiers had reenlisted. The follo	wing numbers of dischargees
	were determined: 1st Mecz Regt 645 d 2d Mecz Regt 455	ischargees " and 21 dismissed
	3d Mecz Regt 450	n and a second
	The discharged personnel was allegedly promot	ed to the next higher
	rank. Replacements were daily expected to arr of recruits were provided for the individual	ive. The following number units:
	1,000 recruits for the lst M	25 X 1
	850 " " 2d M	ecz Regt
	5,0	ecz Regt
	Including arrivals, the 2d Mecz Regt was sche 1,700 officers, NCOs and enlisted personnel.	duled to number some The new recruits were
	also to replace personnel, which had been dis	charged in the fall. The
	trained personnel of the regiment was organiz recruits were to receive basic training with	the 2d and 3d Bns prior
	to 15 June. The tank training unit allegedly was scheduled to receive 450 recruits, who	stationed in Spechberg
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- 4. An aircraft warning company of 80 men was activated from volunteers of the division. After this company had been trained in quartering section A in Karpin, it was quartered in cantonment buildings in the area of the billeting office near Gumnitz and was employed there. Air guards were seen on a reinforced concrete towar, approximately 25 meters high, southeast of Gumnitz. 2
- 5. <u>In late April.</u> 200 recruits each arrived for the 1st and 3d Mecz Regt in Karpin. The 2d Mecz Regt received no recruits because of the equidemic, which started on 20 April. Training was discontinued. 1
- 6. In April, it was determined that the division headquarters was located in the former RAD camp Eggesin. An officer stated that an independent mortar unit with Major Paul as commanding officer and an engineer unit were stationed in quartering section A in Karpán.
- 7. In mid-April, the following officer names were determined in connection with the 2d Mecz Regt:

Major Heckel
Captain Wolff
Lieutenant Colonel Geiling
Senior Lieutenant Jahn
Captain Funke
Major Ludwig
Captain Kutz
Senior Lieutenant Walter
Senior Lieutenant Goldberg
Senior Lieutenant Mayer
Captain Wegener

commanding officer
chief of staff
political officer
chief of supply
chief of agitation
chief of instruction
commander of 1st Bn
commander of 2d Bn
commander of Tank Bn
commander of Arty En
chief of headquarters company

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The commanding officer of the 3d Bn was transferred. No successor has yet been named. 4

- 8. In early May, the AAA unit in Altwarp, which was still under the command of Major Rau, numbered 250 men. In April, all coldison.

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- 9. Prior to 20 May. no training was to be held by the firiving school unit in Altwarp. Cadre personnel numbered 40 to 45 men. 6
- On 29 April, the Ueckermuende insane asylum appeared to be still vacant.
 A gate guard wore medium-blue epaulets.
- 11. Between 12 and 16 April, columns of discharged KVP soldiers left the installation in Karpin for the Eggesin railroad station. New recruits had allegedly arrived.

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12.	In early May, Major Pohlmann was chief of the Eggesin billeting office.	25
13.	The last groups of dischargees left the Eggesin station on 25 April. The discharge program had started on 13 April. After 20 April. recruits, who had enlisted for 2 years, arrived in Eggesin almost daily. The included officers who had failed to meet requirements.	
1.	Comment. The 1st, 2d, and 3d Mecz Regts of the Mecz Div Eggesin under Major General Weiss were confirmed at their previous posts. The Tank Tng Bn of the division is believed to be lowated in Spechtberg. The discharge program involved about one third of the assumed total strength of the three mechanized gegiments. The information that the recruits were trained individually, agrees with observations in previous years.	25
2.	<u>comment.</u> The activation of an aircraft warning company is reported for the first time.	25
3.	Comment. Quartering section A in Karpin is believed to be occupied by the mortar regiment and the engineer battalion of the division.	25
4•	Comment. Major Heckel is known as commanding officer of the 2d Mecz Regt.	25
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